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STEAM TO THE HUNTER.
THE ROSE, every
TUESDAY EVENING, at 10
o'clock.
JAMES PATERSON,
Manager.
A. S. N. Co.'s Wharf. 11891

STEAMER TO KIAMA.
THE WILLIAM THE
FOURTH, Wednesday
next, the 26th, at 4 P.M., in
stead of Monday, at that
hour. Phoenix Wharf, 22nd May. 11813

STEAM TO MORETON BAY.
THE E Steam Ship
T EAGLE.
J. J. Warner, commander,
will be despatched within 48
hours after her arrival.
JAMES PATERSON,
Manager.

STEAM TO MELBOURNE AND
LAUNCESTON.
CALLING AT EDEN, TWOFOLD BAY,
THE E STEAM SHIP
SHAMROCK,
W. Bell, commander, will be
despatched for the above ports
on TUESDAY, 1st June, at 3 P.M.
Freights, 60s. per ton.
JAMES PATERSON,
Manager. 11892

STEAM BETWEEN ENGLAND, INDIA
AND CHINA.
THE E PENINSULAR
AND ORIENTAL STEAM
NAVIGATION COMPANY'S
regular Monthly Mail Packets
arrive at, and are despatched from, the under-
mentioned ports, with passengers and light
goods, to and from Southampton, at REDUCED
RATES OF FREIGHT AND FREIGHT, as follow, viz.:—

Arrived
At. Despatched
from.

HAMBURG [September to March
April to August] About 20th About 20th
12th 24th

RENOVIA [September to March
April to August] 5th 7th
12th 14th

PARADE [September to March
April to August] 6th 8th
12th 14th

CALCUTTA [August to April] 3rd 5th
1 May to July 20th 2nd

MADRAS [August to April] 12th 14th
1 May to July 20th 2nd

PEKING [August to April] 15th 16th
1 May to the 1st of the month 16th 17th

For further information, and tariffs of the
Company's recently revised, and reduced rates
of passage-money and freight, apply to
HENRY MOORE, Sydney.

The attention of the Australian Colonists is
particularly invited to the above advertisement, in
this issue, where you will frequently find
advice to the various points of detail of the
shippers, rendering passage through the
Company's steamer, and showing the practicability of for-
warding remittances to Europe with despatch.

DIRECT TO WINDSOR.
THE splendid new ketch
SUSAN.
36 tons, William Brown, com-
mander. Freight for dead
weight, 8s. per ton; light goods in proportion.
For freight, particulars, apply to the com-
mander on board, at GEORGE HEAD'S WHARF,
George-street.

FOR MORPETH, HUNTER RIVER.
Calling at Newcastle and Raymond Terrace.
K E T H CHANCE, 50
tons, Captain Cox,
Thursd. evening.
JOHN MORRIS, Agent.
Albion Wharf (foot of Market-street.) 11917

FOR MCLEAY RIVER.
Proceeding to Kangaroo.

R O S E OF EDEN,
80 tons, James
Morrison, Wednesday, positively.
JOHN MORRIS, Agent.
Albion Wharf (foot of Market-street.) 11918

FOR CLARENCE RIVER.
FAVOURITE regular
trader.
HANNAH.
80 tons, Hugh Williams E. is,
commander, to sail Wednesday evening, pos-
itively.

JOHN MORRIS, Agent.
Albion Wharf (foot of Market-street.) 11919

FOR MORETON BAY.
T H E first-class brig
BROTHERS,
176 tons register, John Allen,
commander, to sail Wednesday evening, pos-
itively.

Freight, per ton, 12s. dead weight or mea-
sured.

For freight or passage apply to
W. U. HARRIS, Agent,
Kellie's Wharf.

FOR WIDE BAY.
B RIGANTINE E.
80 tons, Mary Ann,
tons, Wednesday, 20th instant.
JOHN MORRIS, Agent.
Albion Wharf (foot of Market-street.) 11920

FOR MELBOURNE DIRECT.
Loading at Botte's Wharf.

T H E favourite brig-
antine
MELBOURNE PACKET,
R. F. Pockley, commander,
now loading, and will positively sail on
Sunday, the 22nd instant.

The accommodations for passengers are very
well fitted with beds, bed-linen, &c.
The best wine and provisions found on board
are extra charge.

For cabin passage only apply to Captain
Pockley; or, to

E. M. SAYERS,
Port Phillip Packet Office,
489, George-street.

Wanted, a Chief Officer, apply on board.

FOR MELBOURNE DIRECT.
THE clipper Schooner
CLARENCE PACKET,
D. Cather, commander, will
be despatched some days after
her arrival.

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FOR MELBOURNE.
Proceeds direct to the Wharf, without
lightering a package.

THE A I unrivalled
clipper schooner
SOUVENIR,
100 tons, Capt. John Brown,
FOR CABIN PASSAGE ONLY,
Having splendid accommodation, apply to
JOHN MORRIS, Agent.
Albion Wharf (foot of Market-street.) 11921

GOLDEN SPRING FOR MELBOURNE.
SEVERAL shippers hav-
ing failed to pass entries
this day, to enable the vessel
to clear at the Customs
Notice is hereby given, that all entries not
then passed will subject the goods liable to
a foreign duty at the port of discharge, whether
British or not.

JAMES COOK,
Circular Quay, May 24. 11928

FOR MELBOURNE DIRECT.
To sail with all despatch.

THE A I Ship
WILLIAM,
John McKinlay, commander,
now at the Flour Company's
Wharf, discharging. Parties desirous of
securing room for freight or passage will
obliged by applying at once to the agent,
HENRY FISHER,
City Depot, 490, George-street.

MAY 17.

FOR POINT DE GALLE AND MADRAS.
For Wool, Gold, and Passengers only.

THE A I Ship
GIBSON CRAIG,
Ellis, 983 tons, will sail on or
about the 22nd instant. For
light freight or passage apply to the Captain,
on board; or to

CRAWLEY AND SMITH,
Campbell's Wharf.

11745 Circular Quay, May 24. 11928

FOR AUCKLAND DIRECT.
THE fine first-class
brig SPENCER,
John Martin, commander, daily
expedited from Melbourne, will have immediate
despatch. For freight or passage, having su-
perior cabin and steerage accommodation,
apply to

SHEPPARD AND ALGER,
Packet Office, 480, George-street,

One door south of the Bank of New South
Wales.

FOR LONDON.
THE A I fast-sailing ship
AGENORIA,
763 tons register, Thomas
Secon, commander, being a
chartered ship, has room for 180 tons of dead
weat only, at a low rate of freight, payable in
the colony.

For freight or passage apply to the command-
er on board; or, to

MONTEFIORE, GRAHAM, AND CO.,
Lyons-buildings, George-street.

11925 Circular Quay, May 24. 11928

FOR MELBOURNE DIRECT.
Going right up to the Wharf.

THE clipper schooner
VANQUISH,
William Watt, commander. For
freight or passage, having superior accommoda-
tion for passengers, beds, bedding, wine,
beer, and spirits, found on board free of
charge. Apply to

SHEPPARD AND ALGER,
Packet Office, 480, George-street,

One door south of the Bank of New South
Wales.

FOR LONDON.
Going up to the Wharf.

THE favourite packet
brig EMMA,
135 tons register, Alfred
Brooks, commander. For freight or passage,
having superior accommodation, stern cabin
for ladies' cabin. A first-rate table is kept,
and bedding and every comfort provided.
Apply to

SHEPPARD AND ALGER,
Packet Office, 480, George-street,

One door south of the Bank of New South
Wales.

FOR MELBOURNE DIRECT.
Going up to the Wharf.

THE favourite packet
brig CORNELIA,
572 tons register, G. Radon, commander, and will sail
in October.

For freight or passage apply to

S. D. GORDON,
Bridge-street; or to

BUYERS AND ALMONTE,
Hawthorn-street.

11926 Circular Quay, May 24. 11928

FOR MELBOURNE NAVIGATION
COMPANY.

ASSISTANT MANAGER.

CANDIDATES for the above Ap-
pointment are requested to forward their
testimonials to the undersigned, or before
Friday, the 28th instant, at noon.

The Directors are desirous of making arrange-
ments with the owners of a suitable Vessel to
land a salvage party, with boats, stores, &c.,
on Cat's Reef, situated about 200 miles from
the southern entrance of Wide Bay. Apply on
Tuesday, before 12 o'clock, to the Secretary of the
New South Wales Marine Assurance
Company, Exchange Buildings, George-street,
Sydney. 11927

FOR LONDON.
Full ship.

For Gold only.

THE E armed Clipper
barque CORNELIA,
372 tons, G. B. Mick-
leburgh, commander. Apply to

S. D. GORDON,
Bridge-street; or to

BUYERS AND ALMONTE,
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New South Wales Marine Assurance
Company, Exchange Buildings, George-street,
Sydney. 11930

FOR MELBOURNE NAVIGATION
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the southern entrance of Wide Bay. Apply on
Tuesday, before 12 o'clock, to the Secretary of the
New South Wales Marine Assurance
Company, Exchange Buildings, George-street,
Sydney. 11931

FOR MELBOURNE NAVIGATION
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New South Wales Marine Assurance
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Sydney. 11932

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Company, Exchange Buildings, George-street,
Sydney. 11934</

SALES BY AUCTION.

TUESDAY, 25th MAY.
THE VALUABLE PROPERTY AT POTTS' POINT, WOOLLOOMOOLOO.

11834

Lands.

Brass Grates,

Copper Plates, and Casters.

To Builders, Plumbers, and Others.

JOHN G. COHEN will sell by auction, at his Rooms, 490, George-street,

TUESDAY, May 23, at 11 o'clock precisely.

2 Figured enamelled water closets, with cisterns, and enamelled traps.

Ditto with drop handles.

Enamelled water closets and enamelled traps.

Enamelled wash-hand basins, with washers, plugs, and union joints.

Two to six inch lead traps, with brass bell plates.

One-half and three-quarter inch patent equilibrum cisterns, valves, and balls.

Terms at sale.

11834

To Storkeepers, Grocers, Dealers, &c.

60 TONS FINE MANILA SUGAR.

MESSRS. WATKINS AND DEAN

have been favoured with instructions

from the importer to sell by auction, at their Rooms, on TUESDAY next, the 25th instant, at 11 o'clock precisely.

60 tons very fine Manila sugar.

In lots to suit purchasers.

Terms at sale.

11847

MANILA COFFEE AND JAVA SUGAR.

To Grocers, Shippers, and Storkeepers.

MESSRS. WATKINS AND DEAN

have been favoured with instructions

from the importer to sell by auction, at their Rooms, on TUESDAY next, the 25th instant, at 11 o'clock precisely.

15 tons fine Java sugar.

6 tons Manila coffee.

In lots to suit purchasers.

Terms at sale.

11848

THE MONDAY SALE at the Labour Bazaar, Pitt-street, will commence.

The whole of the Household Furniture and effects removed from Clarence-street.

Several cart loads of furniture, the property of persons going to Port Phillip.

Also,

A large iron scale and beam, from the stores of R. M. Hobey, Esq.

At 12 o'clock.

Cars, drays, horses, harness, &c., &c.

Terms, cash.

11849

HORSE CART, AND HARNESS.

M. R. ALFRED MOORE has

received instructions to sell, THIS

MORNING, at Mr. W. G. Moore's, the Labour Bazaar, Pitt-street, at 11 o'clock.

Our first-rate draft horse, with a good second-hand cart and harness.

Terms, cash.

11849

UNRESERVED SALE OF GOOD SUBSTANTIAL HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE.

To be sold on TUESDAY next, May 25th.

M. R. ALEXANDER MOORE has

received instructions to sell on the

Premises, by order of Mrs. Ayres, Kent-street, near the Gas Hotel.

The whole of her Household Furniture, comprising—

Drawing-room—

Carpet, rug, bronze fender and irons, sofa table, easy chairs, damask window curtains, handsome vases with shades, paintings, good engravings, drawing-room, mats, chimney glass, chimney ornaments, &c., &c.

Dining-room—

Our first-rate eight-day office dial, large carpet, 30 x 15, hearth rug, fender and fire-irons, chimney ornaments, eight first-rate engravings, one octagonal dining table, one plain (large) ditto, one sofa, 12 ft. 6 in. two-chair sofa, one sofa, Trauldr and plain cane chair, tables, damask window curtains, window blinds, cruet frame, tumblers, glasses, tea set, plated ware, spoons, forks, damask table covers, &c., &c.

Also, the contents of seven Bed-rooms—

Four chests drawers, one state bedstead, with palliases, horse-hair-mattress, feather pillows, two sets of curtains, three iron bedsteads, eight washstands and furniture, seven toilet sets, one washstand, one bedstead, hair and wool mattresses, feather pillows, blankets, sheets, linen table covers, two night chairs, new star carpeting, oil cloth matting, bed-room carpeting, fender and irons, &c., &c.

And a great quantity of kitchen utensils, kitchen tables, meat safe, water casks, tubs, buckets, crockery, tin dish covers, wire ditto, with a great variety of sundries.

Terms—Cash.

11761

WEDNESDAY, 26th May.

To Jewellers, Port Phillip Buyers, and others.

Gold and Silver Watches

Gold Rings, Shawl Brooches

Ladies' Vests

Dow-je-hair-lined Gloves

Rifles, Powder, Flasks

The property of a gentleman leaving the colony.

PURKIS AND LAMBERT (successors to Mr. Samuel Lyons) will sell by auction, at their Mart, 451, George-street, on WEDNESDAY, the 26th instant, at 11 o'clock precisely, without reserve.

Gold Geneva watch and chain

Silver ditto ditto

Silver vest 12 ditto ditto

Ditto ditto case

Diamond watches

22 Leather wallets

8 Gold rings, in cases

Double-barrel gun, very superior

Single ditto rifle

Ditto ditto in case

Copper powder flasks

Terms—cash.

11831

WEDNESDAY, 26th MAY.

PRELIMINARY NOTICE.

TWELVE PACKAGES GOODS,

Ex Forster.

PURKIS AND LAMBERT (successors to the late Mr. Samuel Lyons) have received instructions from the importers to sell by auction, at their Mart, 451, George-street, on WEDNESDAY, the 26th instant, at 11 o'clock precisely, without reserve.

Twelve Cases containing—

Children's boots and shoes

Hosiery, perfume

Pins saud oil

Salad oil in casks

Penholders, books

Shirt buttons, spectacles cases

30 denier California hats.

Terms at sale.

Full particulars in a future advertisement.

WEDNESDAY, 26th May.

FINE FLEECE WOOL.

BEEF TALLOW.

PURKIS AND LAMBERT (successors to the late Mr. Samuel Lyons) will sell by auction, at their Mart, 451, George-street, on WEDNESDAY, the 26th instant, at half-past 10 o'clock precisely.

12 bales fine fleece wool

Cask beef tallow.

The above Wool is the celebrated Two Key square, and is well worthy the attention of buyers. Terms, cash.

11832

WEDNESDAY, 26th MAY.

TO Tailors and Drapers.

CASSIMERE CLOTH DRESKIN,

DRAB BEAVERS,

PURKIS AND LAMBERT (successors to the late Mr. Samuel Lyons) will sell by auction, at their Mart, 451, George-street, on WEDNESDAY, the 26th instant, at 11 o'clock precisely.

An Account of the Colonial Government,

4 police houses, no longer required for the service. Terms, cash.

11844

THE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE,

which is modern and in good order, may be had by the purchaser at a valuation, otherwise it will be sold by auction at an early date.

NOTE.—THE WHOLE PROPERTY comprised in the above will be first offered in Ours Lot, and if not disposed of will then be sold in Two Lots, viz.:-

The house and about 5 acres of land attached, with buildings and improvements.

A plan will be on view at the Auctioneer's Rooms in a few days.

** Intending purchasers can obtain cards to view the property on application to the Auctioneer.

10700

TUESDAY, 25th MAY.

POLICE HORSES.

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Mr. Webster, the Secretary of State, thought by some to have spoken with more warmth, earnestness, and decision on the subject of intervention at the Washington banquet than he would have written. This, however, is a grave mistake. Mr. Webster never acts imprudently—at all events never inconsiderately. He is never disturbed; never agitated. He speaks and thinks, and acts like an iron man. Mr. Webster has always held the same language on this great principle. During the Greek War he had still spoken language there at the Kristenbom. At the Hampshire festival in 1849, after the fall and flight of the Hungarian leaders, Mr. Webster, placing himself on the fundamental principles of the law of nations, publicly declared that the Emperor of Russia could not violate that law with impunity, and that the civilized world would compel him to respect it. Such, in substance, was the sentiment of his speech at the Hungarian banquet at Washington.

It is quite possible that the boldness of Mr. Webster's speech may have disturbed the President, and that he may have been supposing very clearly, The Austrian Caffres did complain to the President of the speech of Mr. Webster in an interview he had with his Excellency. But the President very properly informed the Chevalier that he should make known his grievance in writing and through the regular channel. The Chevalier, however, chose an extraordinary channel. He sent a note to the resident, who (to his praise let it be said) sent for the Chevalier and informed him that he could have 24 hours for withdrawing his note. This the Chevalier did. Here is one side of the story. There is another, however, which is this: in receiving the note of the Chevalier, the President sent for Mr. Webster, who at once demanded that it should be withdrawn—and it was. Concerning the latter fact there is no doubt.

It is equally true that, to this circumstance or some other cause, the very cordial feelings which have hitherto existed between the President and Mr. Webster from the beginning of the administration have been of late somewhat interrupted; hence you may adopt, as something to be done, the report that a council of his private and political friends it was definitely decided that Mr. Webster would not be admitted into the forthcoming election. It was supposed, and indeed it was positively known, that Mr. Fillmore would decline a future nomination in favour of his chief secretary. It was contemplated to allude to this in the President's message to Congress in December. Mr. Webster thought it was premature, and advised that the clause should be struck out. It was done. Now it appears that Mr. Fillmore's private friends have been intriguing to keep the President in office, and keep Mr. Webster out. This is beyond a doubt true. But it was not only of our domestic, every-day *coup d'état*—nominees in its results on the Republic, but indications of the party spirit which at times rages as furiously in a democracy as under a despotism.

The effect of all this may be that Mr. Webster may resign. That he will are assured by the telegraphic despatches. But I do not believe it. Mr. Fillmore can hardly dispense with his first Cabinet Minister—the man who has guided his Administration, and dictated with such matchless wisdom our home and foreign policy—who has reflected upon the Presidency of a plain, common man and an accident magnet, the glory of his minister and less of the *minister* of his name. Besides, Mr. Webster (who is by nature a very ambitious man) could hardly conceive that his chances for the Presidency would be affected by Mr. Fillmore's declining in his favour. It would be humiliating to Mr. Webster and his friends to suppose for a moment that the favour of any other Whig—especially one who is great only by accident—could affect his fortunes for good or evil. The simple fact is, Mr. Webster is not only the greatest Whig, but incomparably the greatest man in the Republic; and no other member of his party can be said to be a champion of freedom, unless indeed (which is very improbable) another military election campaign is started, like the one which elevated poor old General Harrison from the humble condition of a tiler of the soil, for which he was alone fitted, to be elected by the public affairs of a great nation—the last, which dragged the brave Taylor from the camp to the Cabinet to die!

In this event General Scott, our greatest military chieftain, would be the chosen object of High-Tariff-Native-American-Whig-Anglo-Imperialist! General Scott is an accomplished soldier, a great strategist, a wise statesman, a humane man. He is a Whig. He is six feet four inches high, and an eminently handsome man. But he is a political flop, weathercock, and "what not." Nobody entertains any respect for his political character. Shrewd, intriguing politicians have fastened on him, as the Jesuits in the Cardinal College do in a crisis on a weak vain man, whom they elect to be Ponferr, because they can control his Government. But it is hardly conceivable that the military force should again, and for the third time within 12 years, be repeated.

Mr. Webster is indisputably the greatest man and the greatest statesman in the Republic; and if the Whigs do not nominate him they may look forward to defeat. A new and a great disaster would then befall us. It was recently started: the election of Webster as President and Honell Cobb (the present Governor of Georgia) as Vice-President. Mr. Cobb has, from the beginning, been a democrat of the old School. But in the late warfare for the constitution,—against the fanatics of disunion and abolitionism,—he has nobly opposed ultraists at the north and south, and taken high constitutional ground, which severed party ties in twain and carried him into the commanding chair of Georgia by an immense majority.

This is the new whig-union ticket thrown out by the Webster men, and it consists of the indispensable elements of success. Mr. Webster being the strongest Whig in his party, and the strongest statesman at the north, and Governor Cobb one of the strongest democrats and doubtless the very strongest man at the south, the ticket has but to be nominated and it is sure to sweep the country, unless the democrats nominate one absolutely unexceptionable to their party (now divided on the slavery question), and one, too, who will command the confidence and respect of all parts of the country. Will they do?

The very bold course General Cass has recently taken on the question of American intervention has infused throughout the Union an electric spark of sympathy for him and his political elevation. He has, however, overreached over every Whig (even Mr. Webster), in the fact that he has said and has borne for 16 years the unmistakable stamp of a democrat; and by this I mean a man who began his political career under Jefferson, (the author of the Declaration of Independence), who, as the confidential Cabinet Minister of General Jackson, has been regarded as the most reliable national Jackson man in the nation, and who has always been in favour of freedom of commerce and the largest extension of the area of popular rights.

So far as political prospects are concerned, I have no hesitation in saying that the Whigs, in the two most powerful political men in the nation are Daniel Webster (Whig) and General Cass (Democrat); and, unless new aspects develop themselves within a short time, these two men will be pitted against each other in our next Olympian games. Mr. Webster and General Cass have both grown in popularity, and very perceptibly since my last letter. The Hungarian question has had much to do with the master; and although from the first blush of the "Kossuth speeches" of the two statesmen Cass won the more applause, Webster has gained an almost equal popularity from the same cause. What the result would be we cannot say, as the election is to take place to day. We will look at the chances as the time approaches.

The Forrest divorce case goes to the jury to day, and therefore it is hoped that the public mind will be relieved from the incubus of those disgusting associations which have been so steadily kept alive for months together. The trial has corrupted the press and the country. Mr. Forrest's *debit* as an actress is already announced.

Saturday, 11 o'clock a.m.—No news of importance has come in this morning. Yesterday, Governor Bigler, of Pennsylvania, committed his self very strongly to Kosciusko on the side of intervention; and this is clearly the present drift of the popular sentiment of the country.

STATESMANSHIP & THE PRESS.

(From the *Times*.)

Desirous, as we believe, to be to occupy a position of continually increasing importance, and to exercise a power over the formation of public opinion compared with which its present influence is but slight, it is most desirable that a true theory of its duties, responsibilities, and field of action should be enunciated, or, at any rate, that it should not be fettered by the application of erroneous tests and arbitrary principles. The ends which a really patriotic and enlightened journal should have in view are, we conceive, absolutely identical with that of the enlightened and patriotic Minister; but the means by which the journal and the Minister work out these ends and the conditions under which their work are essentially and widely different. The statesman in opposition must speak as one prepared to take office; the statesman in office must speak as one prepared to act. A speech or a despatch with them is something more than an argument or essay—it is a measure. Undertaking not so much the investigation of political problems as the conduct of political affairs, they are necessarily not so much seekers after truth as expediency. The press, on the other hand, has no such definite object as the statesman has in view, and no power of government and discussion alone, and being perfectly unconnected with administrative or executive duties, may and must roam at large over topics which men of political action dare not touch. Were the press to be as Lord Derby wishes to see it, confined within the same narrow limits as practical statesmen, it would lose at once its power and elasticity, and sink into a dull chronicle of passing events. It is because it can discuss things which political men in buckram must not assault, and throw off the cloak of temporality which the press is a sceptre. The duty of the journalist is the same that of the historian, to seek the truth above all things, and to present to his readers, not such things as would wish them to know, but the truth, as near as he can attain to it.

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